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TO:

Minerals File

FROM:

Anthony A. Gallegos, Senior Reclamation Specialist AA

RE:

Site Inspection, Quality Building Stone, Inc., Red Chief Project, S/015/083, Emery

County, Utah

Date of Inspection:

January 20, 2000

Time of Inspection:

1520 - 1600

Conditions:

cloudy, cool

Participants:

Will Stokes, SITLA; Tony Gallegos, DOGM

Purpose of Inspection: To examine the site on state managed land in consideration of a request for a

variance from revegetation requirements.

The site is accessed by turning south off the main county road less than one mile west of the Buckhorn Well, as shown on the Buckhorn Reservoir quad map. From the main county road the access road turns to the west and ends at a fence line atop an outcrop of red sandstone. This red sandstone is the desired material.

Photographs were taken to document the current status of the site. The site is on a solid rock outcrop, but there is some minimal soil cover as you move to the north-northwest away from the rock ledge. A GPS unit was used to locate a point (s013083) at the site using UTM coordinates. There was no visible disturbance on the rock outcrop at this time. There was a set of tire tracks visible a short distance beyond the fence line.

The proposed project area along the rock ledge is a rock outcrop which is very sparsely vegetated. The amount of vegetation and soil increase as you move further away from the ledge of the rock outcrop, however, even these amounts are still very minimal. Photographs were take to document the site conditions. The Division will need to send a separate letter to the operator in response to the variance requests.

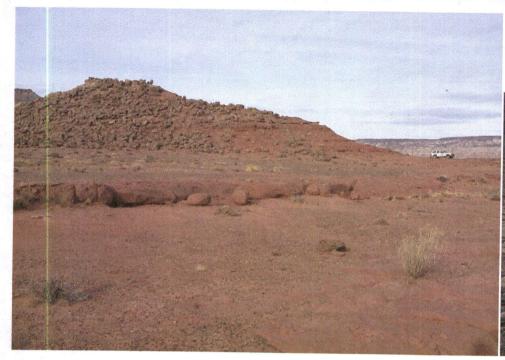
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Wes Hanson, Quality Building Stone cc:

John Blake, SITLA

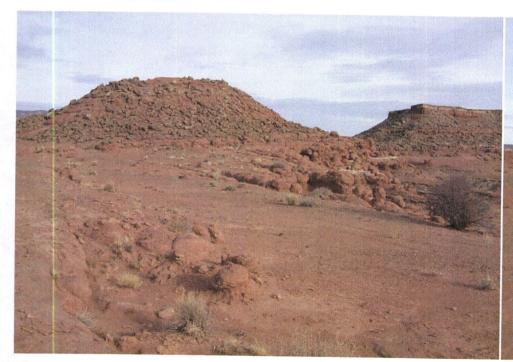
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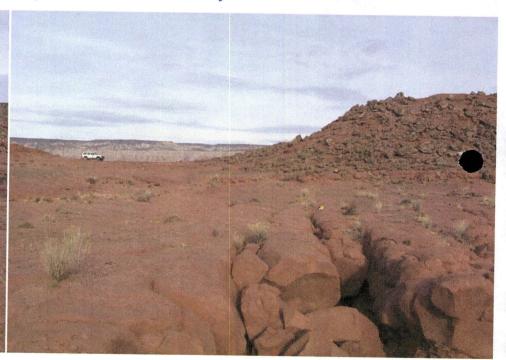
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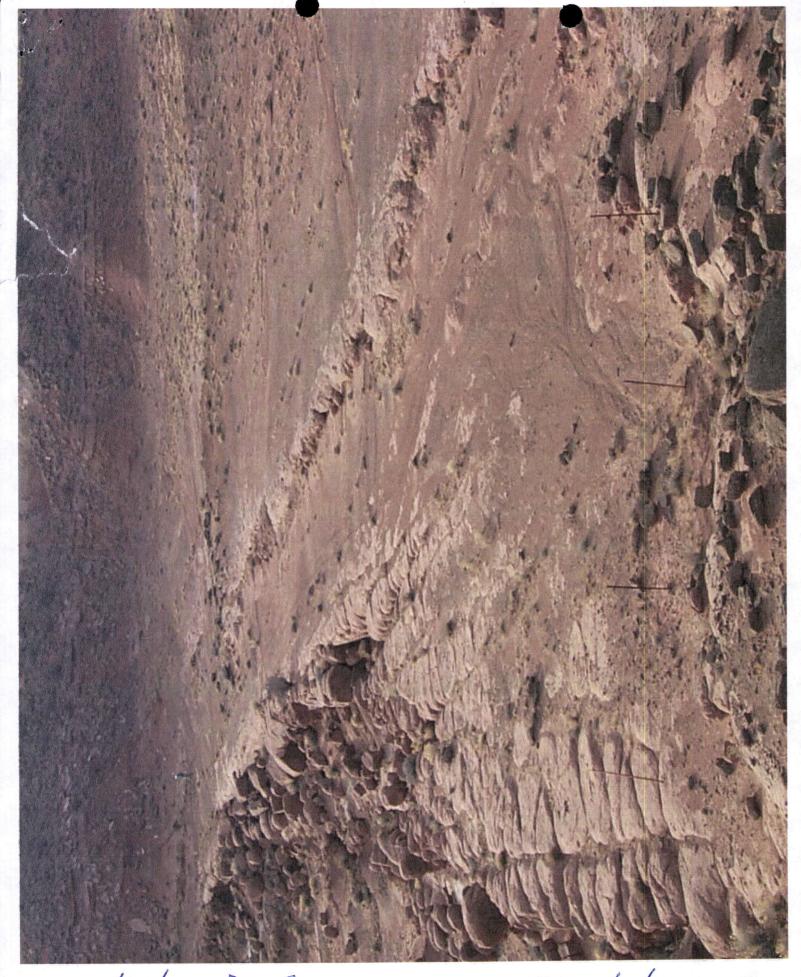




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